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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED: September 5, 2007

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

State of Incorporation: Delaware

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-4221

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification No. 73-0679879

1437 South Boulder Avenue, Suite 1400, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119

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Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

(a) Effective September 5, 2007, in accordance with the Company s Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the Board of Directors of the Company amended the Company s By-laws. A copy of the Amended and Restated By-laws is attached as Exhibit 3.1 to this Report on Form 8-K. Sections 1 through 3 of Article V of the By-laws were amended to permit the issuance of uncertificated shares of the Company s stock.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description

3.1

Amended and Restated By-laws of Helmerich & Payne, Inc.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.

(Registrant)

/s/ Steven R. Mackey Steven R. Mackey Vice President

DATE: September 10, 2007

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